

Village Board  
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2016 -7:00 PM

- I. Mayor Reaves called the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:00 PM.
- II. Present Present were Trustees, Blatzer, Chialdikas, Sniegowski, Stapleton, Virgilio. Trustee Miklos, absent. Also present was George Schafer, Charity Jones, Mark Maton and Chris Smith.
- III. Discussion Items
  - A. Special Event Application – Slide the City  
The application was discussed by the board and staff. The Lemont Fire Protection District Chief, George Rimbo, noted his opposition to the proposed event sites. After deliberation, the majority of the COW was not in favor of the event at the sites proposed by the applicant, but would support the event if the location were moved to Lemont Road.
  - B. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Variations and Resubdivision  
The COW was undecided whether to allow the proposed lot split with the accompanying variations. A larger discussion ensued regarding Village maintenance of private roads and extension of utilities to areas within the Village that are not currently served with water. The COW tabled the discussion to allow staff further time to investigate the issue and to meet with homeowners along 5<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - C. Class 6b Request – 16548 New Avenue  
The Class 6b request was presented to the board. The board was supportive of the request and a resolution will be up for approval at a future Village Board Meeting.
  - D. Retail Attraction Partnership with Lemont Area Chamber of Commerce  
Staff shared the proposal that was given to the Chamber of Commerce for the Retail Attraction Partnership.
- IV. Unfinished Business - None
- V. New Business
  - A. Boundary Agreements  
Staff informed the COW that Lemont’s boundary agreement with Lockport is set to expire in 2017. The Village does not have a boundary agreement with Romeoville. In light of these circumstances, the Mayor and Village Administrator are planning to meet with Lockport and Romeoville to discuss a new boundary agreement.
  - B. I&M Canal Project  
The Board was informed that the issues referenced by the Army Corp of Engineers regarding the canal improvement project have been resolved. The next step of the process is to conduct a 30 day notification period in which outside agencies and nearby property owners will have the opportunity to

provide input on the project. If there are not significant issues from this period, the permits can be issued.

C. Quarryman Challenge Race Director Agreement

Dave Fako submitted an initial proposal for the Race Director compensation. His proposal was for \$5,000 to Direction Sports, Dan Ganser to bill separately for his costs. Additionally, the proposal was for Direction Sports to receive 18% commission on any cash sponsorship from a business or individual that has not previously sponsored the QMC. The COW agreed to the compensation package as proposed, but also agreed that the bills for Dan Ganser should be in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.

D. Kitaro Lights

The COW reviewed photos of outdoor lighting at Kitaro and other businesses. The majority of the COW agreed that Kitaro's lights were too bright, felt that Paris 21's lights were possibly too bright, but that the dimmer lights at All Paws Pantry were acceptable. The COW directed staff to look into the issue further and to develop proper regulations to address the issue going forward.

E. Alley Refuse Service

The Board was informed that Waste Management has approached Village staff about no longer servicing the alleys in the area bounded by State, Lemont, Cass and Lincoln Streets. Waste Management has deemed the area unsafe to continue to service these alleys due to low hanging electric wires and alley conditions. The residents in this area would instead be required to bring their garbage and recycling to the street. This will be an inconvenience for the residents, in which staff and Waste Management is working on mitigating over the coming weeks.

F. Forced Annexation

Staff showed the COW several sites that are eligible for "force" annexation. The COW directed staff on which sites to proceed with annexation efforts and which to leave unincorporated.

G. Amato Property Lease

The Village Administrator met with the property lessee regarding renewal of the Amato lease.

H. St. Patrick's Update

The Planning & Economic Development Director informed the COW that the HPC denied the certificate of economic hardship for the demolition of the St. James Academy building on the St. Patrick's church property. The next step for the application would be to appeal that decision to the Village Board.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.